

REMARKS

Claims 17-18 and 21-24 are amended. Claims 6-10, 14, and 17-24 are pending.

The amendments to the claims are based on the application as originally filed, so it is respectfully submitted that no new matter has been added.

In the office action, claims 6-10, 14, and 17-24 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph.

Claims 17-18 and 21-24 are amended to overcome the rejection under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph, and claims 6-10, 14, and 19-20 depend from amended claims 17-18, respectively.

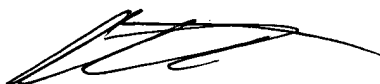
Therefore, reconsideration and withdrawal of the rejection of the pending claims are respectfully requested.

In the office action, it is stated that all claims are allowable over the prior art. Therefore, since the pending claims meet the requirements of 35 U.S.C. § 112 and are allowable over the prior art, all pending claims 6-10, 14, and 17-24 are in condition for allowance.

Accordingly, entry and approval of the present amendment and allowance of all pending claims are respectfully requested.

In case of any deficiencies in fees by the filing of the present amendment, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge such deficiencies in fees to Deposit Account Number 01-0035.

Respectfully submitted,



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